

# Health Profiles

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Permits Section

## Missouri Law & Regulations

- 260.395.7(5), RSMo. "Submit with the application for a hazardous waste disposal or treatment facility a profile of the environmental....characteristics of the area as required by the commission..."
- 10 CSR 25-7.264(2)(P) Health profiles "shall include efforts to identify any serious illnesses, the rate of which exceeds the state average for the illnesses, which might be attributable to environmental contamination."

## Facilities Requiring Health Profiles

- There are currently:
  - 4 incinerators
  - 3 cement kilns
  - 1 (soon to be 2) operating hazardous waste landfills (monofills for treated secondary slag)
  - 3 miscellaneous treatment facilities (drum crusher, pug mill, blending of fuel, etc.)

## Background

- Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services
  - Review and evaluate health profiles
  - Met with DNR to review value of health profiles
    - cost and effort vs. valid/valuable results
- Department of Health and Senior Services staff do not believe health profiles, as written according to statute and regulation, achieve the goal originally envisioned by legislature.

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#### Issues with Current Health Profiles

- Difficulty isolating data for the relevant area
- Low population density
- Migration
- Various contributing factors

#### **DHSS Conclusion**

■ Therefore, DHSS believes the current process should be reviewed.

#### Where Do We Go From Here?

- The department in coordination with DHSS will arrange for a stakeholders workgroup to determine the possibility of modifying or rescinding the Health Profile regulations.
- The signup sheet is in the back of the room for anyone interested.
- Plan to start meeting early 2008.

## Thank you

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